REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Date of entry in Register:	11 March 1999
Name of applicant/court:	Secretary for Internal Affairs
Applicant to the Labelling Body:	Not Applicable
Title of Publication:	Yr33cig.jpg
Other Known Titles:	Not Stated
Director:	Not Applicable
Producer:	Not Applicable
Publisher:	Not Stated
Author:	Not Applicable
Format:	Computer Printout
Country of Origin:	Not Stated
Language:	Not Applicable

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Components of film originally examined: Not Applicable.

Feature: Running time:

Trailers: Running time:

Total Running time:

Excision/Alteration: Not Applicable.

Reason(s) for Excision:

Not Applicable.

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Classification Decision:

Objectionable.

Display Conditions:

Not Applicable.

Descriptive Note:

Not Applicable.

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Direction to issue a label has been given on: Not Applicable.

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SUMMARY OF THE REASONS FOR DECISION:

The computer printout entitled *Yr33cig.jpg* is classified as:
Objectionable.

The computer printout presents sexual conduct of a strongly degrading, dehumanising and demeaning nature, and degrades, dehumanises and demeans a woman to a significant extent and degree.

The publication is a computer printout of a colour photograph that has been downloaded from the Internet and printed out onto an A4 size sheet of paper. The title *Yr33cig.jpg* is typed across the top of the page. The photograph presents a close-up of a woman's genitals with a face drawn around them. A cigarette has been inserted into the woman's vagina which appears to represent a mouth. The woman's genitals are presented as a spectacle for the amusement of the viewer. The close-up nature of the image dehumanises the woman. The woman demeans herself by acquiescing to this conduct.

Because the publication presents a photograph of a strongly degrading, dehumanising, and demeaning nature, the Classification Office finds that the availability of the publication is likely to be injurious to the public good.

It has been determined that s14 of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 (the NZBR Act) applies to this publication. However, by virtue of the presentation of matters of sex, the publication is determined to be objectionable. The Classification Office considers this a reasonable limit on freedom of expression, as outlined in s5 of the NZBR Act.

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